Dominican's Military Command Is Purged

SANTO DOMINGO, Dominican Republic (AP) — President Antonio Guzman kept Secretary of State Cyrus R. Vance and other inauguration guests waiting while he purged the Dominican military command in his first official action.

Guzman swore in four new commanders Wednesday as Vance and the others waited in another room at the national palace. Dominican and U.S. sources said the new military chiefs were viewed "more favorably" by the Americans than the old hierarchy.

It was pressure by the United States and other countries on May 17 that forced a military group to back off after it stopped the counting of the vote in the presidential election when Guzman took the lead over President Joaquin Balaguer.

Although there had been rumors that Guzman would make some military changes, he had not been expected to act so quickly.

His changes included Maj. Gen. Rafael Adriano Valdez Hilario to replace Juan Rene Beauchamp Javier as cabinet secretary of the armed forces. Brig. Gen. Ramiro Matos Gonzalez, former director of forestry services, replacing Maj. Gen. Neit Rafael Nivar Seijas as commander of the 1st Military Brigade in Santo Domingo; Gen. Mario Imber McGregor to command the air force and Gen. Francisco Amiama Castillo to command the navy.

Gen. Nivar Seijas was chief of the national police during the election and is believed to have been the instigator of the attempt to nullify Guzman's election.

Maj. Gen. Enrique Perez, the army chief of staff, was not replaced, apparently because he is trusted by Guzman and his associates in the Dominican Revolutionary Party.

The new president in his inaugural speech said his administration will bring a "new attitude" toward the law.

"The time has come for dedication to work in the service of the fatherland and not for illicit enrichment," he said. "A public official must distinguish himself for the honesty with which he carries out his duties. Our country has lived through a moral crisis in the past few years."

Balaguer, who had been in office since 1966, admitted earlier in the week that official corruption had done great harm to his administration.

Guzman said his administration will also emphasize economic development in cooperation with private enterprise and will provide incentives and financing "to make our products more competitive."

Although the country maintained a favorable balance of payments last year, the economy this year has been adversely affected by the high price of imported oil and the low price of sugar, the chief export. Unemployment is estimated at 24 percent and inflation at 14 percent.

Guzman, the 10th constitutionally elected president of the Caribbean nation that shares the island of Hispaniola with Haiti, is the first president to receive office peacefully from a government of an opposing party.

Comatose Boy Legally Dead

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) — Matthew Schrier, the comatose 2-year-old boy whose case formed the basis of a court test of Iowa's new brain death law, was pronounced legally dead early today, the victim of an onset of cardiac trouble.

The boy, who lapsed into a coma June 28 and was labeled "brain dead" by four physicians, was declared dead at 12:57 a.m. by Polk County Medical Examiner R.C. Wooters after a team of physicians spent a day battling a series of heart stoppages.

Wooters said doctors considered the boy dead as of July 5 — the date doctors believe he suffered cerebral death — but delayed signing a death certificate because of an ongoing legal battle over custody and a court injunction barring the termination of life support measures until a deterination was made as to whether Matthew was legally dead.

Polk County District Judge Richard A. Strickler had faced the responsibility of issuing a first-ever interpretation of the legal definition of death under the new law.

Strickler said testimony in the legal proceeding would continue to determine custody rights. However, he said, the fundamental question that formed the basis of the hearing — whether Matthew, because of a lack of detectable brain activity, fulfilled the legal criteria for death under Iowa's new brain death law — appeared to be moot.

The brain death statute, which went into effect Jan. 1, allows two physicians to pronoue a person legally dead if there is a cessation of brain activity and artificial life supports preclude a determination of death due to stopping of the heart.

County prosecutors allege Matthew — whose breathing and circulation have been sustained by a respirator since July 3 — was the victim of sexual abuse by his father, Richard, who had been undergoing psychiatric evaluation at the Iowa Security Medical Facility at Oakdale.

The problems that weakened Matthew's heart began early Wednesday. Twice during the day the child's deteriorating condition was said to have stabilized, only to worsen.

Family members and attorneys involved in the tangled legal case stood vigil throughout the day and night, including Matthew' grandparents, who had fought to keep him connected to the respirato,and his moter Linda, who sided with doctors in insisting her son was dead.

Ultimatum Is Given Califano

WASHINGTON (AP) — The sponsor of a motion to cite HEW Secretary Joseph A. Califano Jr. for contempt of Congress says he hopes Califano will find some way to furnish by mid-September subpoenaed documents describing how major drug companies make their products.

The House Commerce investigations subcommittee voted 9-8 Wednesday to recommend that the secretary of health, education and welfare be held in contempt if he did not turn over the documents. The motion was sponsored by Rep. Albert Gore Jr., D-Tenn.

Members said the documents were needed for an investigation of whether major drug companies buy generic or chemically named drugs, put their own brand-name labels on them and then charge steeply higher prices for the drugs.

At a hearing on Tuesday, Califano gave the subcommittee confidential data on the generic drugs, their manufacturers and the brand-name drug company purchasers.

But he said Attorney General Griffin Bell had said Califano could not provide documents showing the precise manufacturing process because they are legally protected trade secrets.

"I'm hopeful the secretary will negotiate more seriously in the next two to three weeks before the full committee is scheduled to vote on the contempt citation," Eore said. "I think he knows he's very serious about this matter. I predict the full committee will vote the contempt citation as recommended, but I'm optimistic we'll be able to reach a compromise solution between now and that vote," Gore added in an interview.

Califano says he and the Food and Drug Administration "are deeply committed both to promoting the use of less expensive generic drugs and to ending the drug companies' practice of secretly marketing generic drugs produced by other manufacturers as their own, more expensive brand-name products."

Gore said brand-name drug companies justify the higher prices "by saying their factory processes are unique."

"However, we now know that all they do in many instances is contract with generic drug company factories who make the medicine — and then all they do is put their label on it and mark up the price dramatically," he said.

The brand-name companies contend they have one of their employees in the generic drug company factory, Gore said, but the subcommittee wants to know from Califano "exactly what that person does."

In recent years, the subcommittee, headed by retiring Rep. John E. Moss, D-Calif., has voted contempt citations against other Cabinet members but none has gone beyond the full Commerce Committee.

Consumer Group Picks Candidates

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Consumer Federation of America has endorsed 25 candidates for the House and Senate in an effort to change the decision-making structure of the Congress.

The federation, which calls itself the nation's largest organized consumer group, also came out Wednesday in opposition to the re-election of Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., and Reps. Sam Devine, R-Ohio, Robert Dornan, R-Calif., George Hansen, R-Idaho, and Steve Symms, R-Idaho.

"To date the 95th Congress has been the most decidedly anti-consumer Congress in recent history," CFA head Kathleen O'Reilly said.

The endorsements, involving publicity but no direct money contributions, were made on the basis of responses to questions sent to the candidates.

The Senate endorsements are:

Sens. Richard Clark, D-Iowa, Floyd Haskell, D-Colo., William Hathaway, D-Maine, and Charles Ravnel, a Democrat who is running against Sen. Strom Thurmond, R-S.C.

The House endorsements:

Norma Bork in California's 2nd District; Rep. John Brademas, D-Ind.; Terry Bruce in Illinois' 22nd District; Rep. Robert Carr, D-Mich.; Dan Corcoran in California's 37th District; Rep. Bob Eckhardt, D-Texas; Rep. Robert Edgar, D-Pa.; Tony Hall in Ohio's 3rd district; Tim Hall in Illinois' 15th District; Rep. Mark Hannaford, D-Calif.; Gary Hindes, for an at-large seat from Delaware; Rep. Andrew Maguire, D-N.J.; Rep. Robert McEwen in Michigan's 11th District.

Also, Dick Meyers in Iowa's 1st District; Rep. Helen Meyner, D-N.J.; Rep. Abner Mikva, D-Ill.; Rep. Claude Pepper, D-Fla.; William Ratchford in Connecticut's 5th District; Rep. Tim Wirth, D-Colo.; Howard Wolpe in Michigan's 3rd District; and Charlotte Zietlow in Indiana's 7th District.

New Mercedes School Head Is Welcomed

MERCEDES — Superintendent of Schools Rodolfo Gonzalez got welcomed officially by Mayor W.C. (Buddy) Ross III and the city commission in a 4 p.m. coffee-and-cake gathering Wednesday at city hall.

Gonzalez became superintendent last week, returning to the Valley from Robstown where he was assistant superintendent for the last four years.

A native of Mercedes, Gonzalez was reared in Harlingen, where he graduated from high school and later taught.

City Manager Victor Alonzo arranged the informal gathering before the Mercedes commission went into a workshop session.

Obituaries

CYNTHIA (cindy) DE ANNA TORRES

MISSION — Rosary for Cynthia (Cindy) De Anna Torres, 9, of Mission will be recited at 7 tonight at Ceballos Funeral Home in McAllen.

The child died Wednesday morning at Driscoll Children's Hospital in Corpus Christi.

A native of McAllen, she would have been a fourth grader at Sharyland Elementary School this fall.

Survivors include her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eusebio Torres Jr., of Mission; one brother, Rick Edward Torres of Mission; one sister, Amanda (Mandy) Torres of Mission; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Eusebio Torres Sr. of Sharyland; and maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Eustacio Gallegos of McAllen.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in McAllen. Burial will be in the Valley Memorial Gardens.

Pallbearers will be Ted Gallegos, Ruben Gallegos, Raul Gallegos, Dan Gallegos, Mario Moreno and Hector Torres.

DR. J.C. CUMMINGS

WESLACO — Funeral services for Dr. J.C. Cummings, who died Monday the day before his 95th birthday, were held Thursday morning in Enid, Okla.

The retired veterinarian died in San Antonio hospital, which he entered about 10 days earlier for special treatment after being transfered from Knapp Methodist Hospital in Weslaco.

He had been a Weslaco resident for more than 25 years, his last address being 607 S. Missouri. He was a native of Oklahoma, where he owned an animal hospital at Enid before his retirement.

Last year he was presented a 60-year Masonic pin by the Weslaco Masonic Lodge. His membership had been with the Masonic Lodge of Cherokee, Okla.

Survivors include a wife; and a daughter, Mrs. Leroy Miller of Tuscon, Ariz.

MRS. CONCEPCION GARATE

MONTE ALTO — Mrs. Concepcion Garate, 77, died Wednesday in Knapp Memorial Hospital at Weslaco.

Mrs. Garate had been a resident of Monte Alto for the past 58 years.

Survivors include five sons, Ramon Garate of La Feria, Esequiel Garate of Mercedes, Timoteo Garate and Carlos Garate, both of Monte Alto, and Reymundo Reyes of Parlier, Calif.; three daughters, Miss Candelaria Garate of Parlier; Mrs. Antonia Martinez of Harlingen, and Mrs. Emma Willis of Edinburg; 54 grandchildren and 43 great-grandchildren.

Also surviving are twosisters, Mrs. Antonia Rodriguez of Reynosa, Tamps., Mex., and Mrs. Carmen de Leon of Mexico.

A rosary will be recited at 8 p.m. today in Thomae-Garza Funeral Directors chapel in Elsa.

Funeral services will be at 3 p.m. Friday in El Cristo Rey Catholic Church in Monte Alto. Burial will be in Highland Memorial Park.

BABY GIRL OLIVAREZ

MISSION — Graveside services for the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rafael Olivarez Jr. of Mission were held this morning at Laurel Hill Cemetery with the Rev. Jerry Frank of St. Paul's Catholic Church officiating.

The child was dead at birth Tuesday morning at McAllen General Hospital.

In addition to the parents, survivors include a brother, Rafael Olivarez III; a sister, Amy Loris Olivarez; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Rafael Olivarez Sr.; maternal grandmother, Mrs. Guadalupe Rendon; and maternal grandfather, Felix Rendon, all of Mission.

Wilson Mortuary was in charge of arrangements.

RENE RODRIGUEZ

EDCOUCH — Funeral Mass for Rene Rodriguez, 15-year-old burn victim, will be said at 3 p.m. Thursday in St. Theresa Catholic Church. He died Monday in Brooke Army Medical Center at San Antonio after 36 days of hospitalization.

He was burned in a flash fire at the family home, 311 Garza. His stepfather, Miguel Esparza, a former Edcouch councilman, is still being treated at the San Antonio burn center.

Burial will be in Anahuac Cemtery under direction of Garza and Llewellyn Funeral Home of Weslaco.

MRS. ALBINA MUNIZ

WESLACO — Mrs. Albina Muniz, 69, of 100 Abilene in Expressway Heights died at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday at Knapp Methodist Hospital. She had been a Weslaco resident for 38 years.

Survivors include the husband, Luz Muniz; a son, Israel Muniz of Weslaco; four daughters, Mrs. Maria Portillo, Mrs. Eulalia Gonzalez, Mrs. Celia Alaniz, all of Weslaco, and Mrs. San Juanita Armijo of Wauchula, Fla.

Also surviving are 22 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

A funeral mass will be said in San Martin de Porres Catholic Church and burial will be in the Weslaco Cemetery, time and date to be announced by Garza and Lewellyn Funeral Home.

MRS. LULA L. GARRETT

Mrs. Lula L. Garrett, 98, died Wednesday at her daughter's home in McAllen following a short illness.

A native of Tishomingo, Okla., Indian Territory, she moved to McAllen six months ago from Oklahoma City, Okla.

Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. Orvis Creech of McAllen, Mrs. Dene Lawson of Sacramento, Calif., and Mrs. Fred Ridley of Oklahoma City, Okla.; two sons, J. Lynn Garrett of Tulsa, Okla., and J. Leroy Garrett of Oklahoma City; one brother, William McGehee of Montebello, Calif.; seven grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services and burial will be in Oklahoma City under direction of Guardian Funeral Home.

Local arrangements were under direction of Wilson Mortuary of McAllen.

Bombing of Weed Smugglers Urged

BOGOTA, Colombia (UPI) — A Colombian government official has recommended the bombing of clandestine airfields that are used by smugglers to transport marijuana to the United States.

Rodolfo Garcia of the Colombian attorney general's office made the suggestion Wednesday after completing an aerial survey of 170,000 acres of marijuana fields, a major part of the $1 billion in illegal drugs shipped annually to the United States.

"If we bomb the area where 50 clandestine airfields are located we can solve the problem," Garcia said.

"This is the only possible solution. We are less than four months away from the beginning of the harvesting and processing of the marijuana plants. If we can knock out the clandestine airfields we can eliminate the shipment of the merchandise."

Garcia made a survey of three key marijuana producing states and said it would be impossible to spray defoliant on the pot crop because the planting is too widespread and the mountainous terrain is too dangerous for planes.

He added that it was unlikely any commercial crop-dusting firm would get involved in the government's war on the powerful international drug trade.

Administration Takes Case For Tax Cut to Committee

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Carter administration — still smarting from a defeat in the House — is taking its case for a tax cut bill to the Senate Finance Committee, where the chairman already is calling for major changes opposed by the president.

If the record of the last few years is any guide, the committee will write a bill that gives considerably more benefits to corporations and investors than would fit into President Carter's idea of tax equity.

The Finance Committee called Treasury Secretary W Michael Blumenthal as its first witness today. He was expected to spell out how much change the administration would be willing to take in the tax bill the president proposed earlier this year.

That bill was shot to pieces by the House after the administration refused until the last minute to negotiate a compromise. But there are reports the administration will be considerably more flexible in the Senate in hopes of getting a bill that would not end in a presidential veto just a few weeks before the November elections.

The measure passed by the House would allow new tax cuts of about $16.3 billion, effective next Jan. 1. The administration appears willing to accept a reduction of that figure, even though the president originally had asked for more.

The Carter administration has two major problems with the House-passed bill:

—The individual tax reductions are tilted toward the upper income brackets. Tax cuts in recent years have given proportionately more reductions to lower income groups, a course Carter wants continued.

—The bill contains a big reduction in the tax on capital gains that would all but wipe out the 1969 "minimum tax," which was designed to ensure that high-income investors pay some tax regardless of how many deductions they have.

Although the president's advisers reluctantly agreed to support some reduction in the tax on capital gains, which are profits from the sale of stocks, real estate and other property, they insist that the minimum tax must be retained.

Sen. Russell B. Long, D-La., chairman of the committee, has said publicly that he favors a bigger individual tax cut — but that he sees no need to change the "tilt" of the House bill from the upper income levels.

His position on the capital gains tax is for an even larger reduction than was voted by the House. If the economy is to pull out of the doldrums and shake the problem of inflation, he contends, Americans must be given greater incentive to invest.

And the best incentive is to let the government tax away a smaller share of investment earnings, Long says.

Truck Tug-of-War Leaves Two Dead, Four Injured

NEW HILL, N.C. (UPI) — Jim Adams and Mike Edmonds got into an argument down at Victor's Grill and went outside to settle it truck-to-truck — with tragic consequences.

When it was over, two people were dead and four were injured.

It was early Wednesday and the beer had been flowing all night. Adams and Edmonds had been arguing about which one owned the best four-wheel-drive truck, and to resolve the matter, they went out front, lashed a cable between the two vehicles and stageda tug of war. The truck that broke the other's traction would win its owner $100.

So Adams and Edmonds and everybody else at Victor's — about 30 people — trooped out to the parking lot beside the cinderblock building and got ready.

But, said Highway Patrol Sgt. Raymond Isley, Adams jumped into his truck and gunned the engine before Edmonds had even gotten behind the wheel. He dragged Edmonds' truck 50 feet and tore up the transmission.

Edmonds cried foul and the crowd got ugly, insisting Adams had cheated and demanding he pay Edmonds the $100. Edmonds and Adams traded punches, but, Isley said, Adams finally paid and left in a rage.

Everybody thought he was going home," recalled Elton McCall of Hendeson. "But he done a three-point turn up the road, and came back running wide open."

The truck smashed through the crowd. Two men were killed and four other people were badly injured.

Adams kept going, and one of the onlookers leaped into his own truck and gave chase. "He bumped him three times before they both ran off the road, Isley said. The pursuer was unhurt but Adams' truck rammed a tree and burst into flames, seriously injuring him.

MILITARY SERVICE

Military service under the Selective Service and Training Act was, on Aug. 18, 1941, extended for 18 months.

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with GOMA. He praised Briscoe for defending the office during recent public controversy.

As he was concluding his speech, a Texas Farmworkers Union member stood up and asked the senator if he would deliver an open letter to Briscoe. Longoria accepted. The letter concerned a recent trip to Austin by several TFU members who asked Briscoe to consider collective bargaining rights for workers and to repreal section 14b of the Taft-Hartley Act.

Issues the symposium plans to discuss, during several scheduled workshop panel sessions throughout the two-day conference are education, legislative issues, health, housing weatherization and energy, and economic and community development. State Resp. Irma Rangel, Matt Garcia, Tony Garcia, Melchor Chavez and Sen. Carlos Truan were expected to attend.

Department of Labor Secretary Ray Marshall is also expected to address the symposium Friday at 1:30 p.m. Marshall will be among panel members who will speak on economic and community development.

Personnel

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Therefore, he commented, city officials plan to take a hard look at existing policies.

"As responsible city officials," he said, "we should have, and do have, a concern for all employes of the city and for the general public."

"We need to look into the allegations and complaints they may have. We're accessible. They have access to the mayor's office and to city commissioners. We want to be good officials."

He said the commission wants a "good fire department," "united and harmonious" and the same applies to the police.

"We have outgrown our personnel policies," he went on.

He said staff will be asked to furnish commissioners copies of all written materials relating to personnel policies and management, which will be studied for probably several weeks. materials related to all city departments.

"We want people to be satisfied" about provisions for their employment, promotions, retirement, disability and vacation leaves, evaluation examinations, department structure or any other aspects, he said.

Talk about personnel policy revisions has been going on for sometime at city hall, long before the petition for a civil service election.

The mayor acknowledged the topic is not a new one, but he said the election has caused commissioners to turn their attention to it with more expediency.

Staff recommended contracting with a consultant last year and won approval by a divided vote of the commission to seek a state grant which would require $7,500 in matching funds. The state agency involved put McAllen on the waiting list the first year the application was filed, however, when funds were exhausted, giving some assurance of a grant for a $30,000 project this fiscal year.

Whether commissioners will want to pursue that route further seemed questionable this morning. The mayor reminded that the project and the $7,500 local expenditure never actually materialized.

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inc., $299,983, to train 40 persons in carpentry and masonry; Texas State Technical Institute, $79,942, to train a total of 10 persons in building trades, business skills, diesel mechanics and machine shop operation; Rio Grande Valley Opportunities Industrialization Centers, $304,055, to train 87 persons in general maintenance and bookkeeping; Amigos Internacionales, $295,611, to train a total of 50 medical assistants and dental assistants; Self-Service Repair, Inc., $215,398, to train 15 diesel mechanics; and Magic Valley Beauty College, $115,945, to train 20 cosmetologists.

In deciding to solicit bids to sponsorship of the STIP program, commissioners turned down an offer by UVAC of Edinburg to fulfill a contract which the Today Corp. of Donna has cancelled.

The Today Corp. had agreed to conduct two six-month training programs for mechanics at a cost of $135,847 for each six-month period. The corporation cancelled the contract after completing the first six-month program.

Chapa said Frank Castillo, owner of UVAC, had agreed to complete the contract over a 12-month period for the same amount of money and utilizing the same instructional staff.

He said soliciting bids on completion of the contract would cause at least a 60-day delay in the program, and that funds must be expended by next June.

According to Chapa, STIP funds cannot be used for any work program and must be returned to DOL if they are not spent on time.

A motion to advertise for bids by Commissioner Ramuro Cavazos was seconded by Commissioner Charlie Curtis and carried unanimously.

Program Will Honor Cancer Victim Who Lobbied for Pot

SANTA FE, N.M. (UPI) — State health officials plan a memorial research program in honor of cancer victim Lynn Pierson — who jeopardized his access to marijuana by lobbying the Legislature to allow cancer patients to smoke the weed legally to ease the pain of chemotherapy.

Pierson, 27, died of lung cancer Tuesday.

The state health agency, in recognition of Pierson's public effort in behalf of all cancer patients, plans a permanent medical research program in his honor.

George Goldstein, secretary of the Health and Environment Department, said Wednesday the program would involve research into other means to ease the pain of cancer patients.

"He risked having his marijuana sources cut off, hence risking extreme personal discomfort," Goldstein said. "Lynn had said he realized that many older people or people without street contacts could not rely on illicit means to get marijuana.

"Lynn pioneered what we are realizing will be an important aspect of both cancer and glaucoma treatment."

Pierson told the Legislature that smoking marijuana eased the nausea and discomfort of chemotherapy treatments he underwent to arrest the spread of the disease.

Pierson said he could obtain marijuana illegally, but many other cancer patients undergoing chemotherapy treatments were unable or unwilling to do so. He said the public admission of buying and smoking marijuana could cut off his supply.

The Legislature established the Controlled Substances Therapeutic Research Act in the Health and Environment Department whereby cancer patients could receive marijuana for medicial purposes.

"Lynn worked hard to enable himself and others afflicted with cancer to receive marijuana legally" Goldstein said. "He had much ambition, a sound philosophy, and a caring heart — all dedicated to helping people."

The program established by the Legislature provides a three-member board of physicians must approve a cancer patient's need for marijuana. The federal government was to supply the maijuana but agency approval of the program is pending.

Pierson, a graduate business student at the University of New Mexico, grew marijuana in the backyard of his Albuquerque home to ensure a supply of pending approval of the program.

Mercedes Junior High Principal Appointed

MERCEDES — Miguel Castillo was appointed principal of Mercedes Junior High School at a special meeting of the school board.

The board also approved the recommendation of Supt. Rodolfo Gonzalez to promote Rene Guzman to the position of head band director.

Jimmy Lyons, cafeteria director, was given a new one-year contract.

Guzman, now in his second year with the Mercedes system, succeeds Ramon Guzman, who resigned to become director of bands at McAllen. Guzman is a graduate of Texas A&I University.

Castillo will recieve a salary of $1,000 above the state base pay for his position. He has a bachelor degree from Pan American University and a master's degree from Lincoln Juarez University at Austin.

Castillo has been assistant junior high principal for the past year. He previously taught high school social science for five years and taught in the migrant program.

He fills a vacancy left by promotion of Israel Garza last week from junior high to high school principal. Garza replaced Genaro Rodriguez, now superintendent at Progreso.

The school board has set a special meeting for 7 p.m. Monday when an assistant junior high principal will be on the agenda.

Soviet Psychiatrist Tells Of Forced Hospitalization

MOSCOW (UPI) — A Soviet psychiatrist studied 27 people who had "difficulties with the authorities" and were forced into mental institutions. He said none of the victims required any hospital treatment.

Dr. Alexander Voloshanovich, a psychiatric Hospital Moscow Region Hospital No. 20, told Western correspondents Wednesday that most of the 27 had applied for permission to emigrate from the Soviet Union.

"We're not necessarily talking about political cases," Boloshanovich, 37, said.

"These are not really dissidents, just people who have run into difficulties with the authorities for one reason or another. I did not find one example of clinical mental illness, although there were cases of neurosis."

"Forced hospitalization was not justified."

Boloshanovich, who has worked as a fully qualified psychiatrist for more than 10 years, said he carried out the study at the request of a dissident group set up to monitor Soviet compliance with the human rights provisions of the 1975 Helsinki accords.

The underground group has commission on the use psychiatry for political purposes. Moscow's Serbsky Institute is a "synonym for the group, not a member."

He spoke at a dissident news conference one day after Alexander Podrabinek was sentenced to five years of internal exile for writing a book about alleged Soviet abuses of psychiatric treatment against dissidents.

Boloshanovich said he has always maintained anonymity and secrecy in his dealings with the Helsinki group, and that this was his first public appearance.

Asked if he had had any difficulties with the authorities because of his clandestine work, the psychiatrist smiled and said, "No, but they will come now."

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